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Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 2002/1 of 15 July 2002, in which the Council decided to consider creating, at the request of any African country emerging from conflict, an ad hoc advisory group, and its decision 2002/304 of 25 October 2002, in which the Council decided to establish such an Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau,

Recalling also its resolution 2003/1 of 31 January 2003, in which the Council took note with appreciation of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau,[1] welcomed its recommendations, endorsed the partnership approach it set out and decided to extend the mandate of the Advisory Group until the substantive session of the Council in July 2003,

Recalling further its resolution 2003/53 of 24 July 2003, in which the Council took note with appreciation of the supplementary report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau[2] and extended the mandate of the Advisory Group until the organizational session of the Council in January 2004, with the request that it submit a report,

Recalling its resolution 2003/50 of 24 July 2003, in which the Council reiterated the need to undertake an assessment of the lessons learned from the ad hoc advisory groups at its substantive session of 2004 and stressed the need to undertake an assessment of the progress made in the implementation of the recommendations made by the ad hoc advisory groups,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau,[3] and welcomes its recommendations;

[1] E/2003/8.
[2] E/2003/95.
[3] E/2004/10.

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2. *Welcomes* the continued interaction and cooperation between the Economic and Social Council and the Security Council, within their respective mandates, on the situation in Guinea-Bissau;

3. *Welcomes also* the steps taken by the Transitional Government in Guinea-Bissau to give effect to the partnership approach proposed by the Ad Hoc Advisory Group and the continued support provided by the international community to the Transitional Government and its efforts towards achieving sustainable development, welcomes further the recent parliamentary elections as an important step towards the restoration of democratic government, and appeals to donor countries to contribute further to these efforts;

4. *Welcomes further* the establishment of an Emergency Economic Management Fund, managed by the United Nations Development Programme, as recommended by the Group in its initial report,[1] as well as the contributions made to it, and invites donor countries to provide further emergency assistance through the Fund;

5. *Decides* to extend the mandate of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau until the substantive session of the Economic and Social Council in July 2004, with the purpose of monitoring the implementation of its recommendations, following closely the humanitarian situation and the economic and social conditions unfolding in the country and reporting, as appropriate, to the Council at its substantive session in July 2004;

6. *Decides also* that the Ad Hoc Advisory Group should contribute to the assessment of the ad hoc advisory groups in relation to lessons learned during the application of its mandate and the implementation of its recommendations;

7. *Decides further* that the Group shall invite the participation in its work of the President of the Economic and Social Council for 2004, the Chairperson of the Group of Friends of Guinea-Bissau and the Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Security Council on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa;

8. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations Development Group as well as other relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies to continue to assist the Ad Hoc Advisory Group in accomplishing its mandate, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions to continue to cooperate to that end.

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Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolution 2002/1 of 15 July 2002 on the establishment of an ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict, in which the Council decided to consider creating, at the request of any African country emerging from conflict, an ad hoc advisory group,

Recalling also its resolution 2003/16 of 21 July 2003, in which the Council decided to establish the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi and entrusted the President of the Council with the task of holding consultations and making recommendations on the composition, terms of reference and relevant modalities for the Group,

Recalling further its decision 2003/311 of 22 August 2003, in which the Council decided on the terms of reference and composition of the Group and requested the Group to submit a report on its recommendations to the Council by mid-January 2004,

Recalling its resolution 2003/50 of 24 July 2003, in which the Council reiterated the need to undertake an assessment of the lessons learned from the ad hoc advisory groups at its substantive session of 2004 and stressed the need to undertake an assessment of the progress made in the implementation of the recommendations made by the ad hoc advisory groups,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi,[1] and welcomes its recommendations;

2. *Welcomes* the efforts by the Transitional Government of Burundi to maintain the momentum and consolidate the peace process and the promotion of stability, and encourages the Transitional Government to strengthen its efforts in implementing the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group as it addresses the economic and social challenges faced by the people of Burundi;

[1] E/2004/11.

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3. *Welcomes also* the support provided by the international community for the efforts of the Transitional Government of Burundi, stresses the need for further emergency assistance as well as support for Burundi in embarking on the path of sustainable development, welcomes in this regard the outcome of the fourth Forum of Development Partners, held in Brussels on 13 and 14 January 2004, and stresses the importance of translating, as a matter of priority, the commitments made into tangible assistance;

4. *Requests* the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi to continue to follow closely the humanitarian situation and economic and social conditions, to examine the transition from relief to development in Burundi and the way in which the international community supports the process and to report, as appropriate, to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session in July 2004;

5. *Decides* that the Ad Hoc Advisory Group should contribute to the assessment of the ad hoc advisory groups in relation to lessons learned during the application of its mandate and the implementation of its recommendations;

6. *Also decides* that the Group shall invite the participation in its work of the President of the Economic and Social Council for 2004 and the Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Security Council on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General, the United Nations Development Group, as well as other relevant United Nations funds and programmes and the specialized agencies to continue to assist the Ad Hoc Advisory Group in accomplishing its mandate, and invites the Bretton Woods institutions to continue to cooperate to that end.